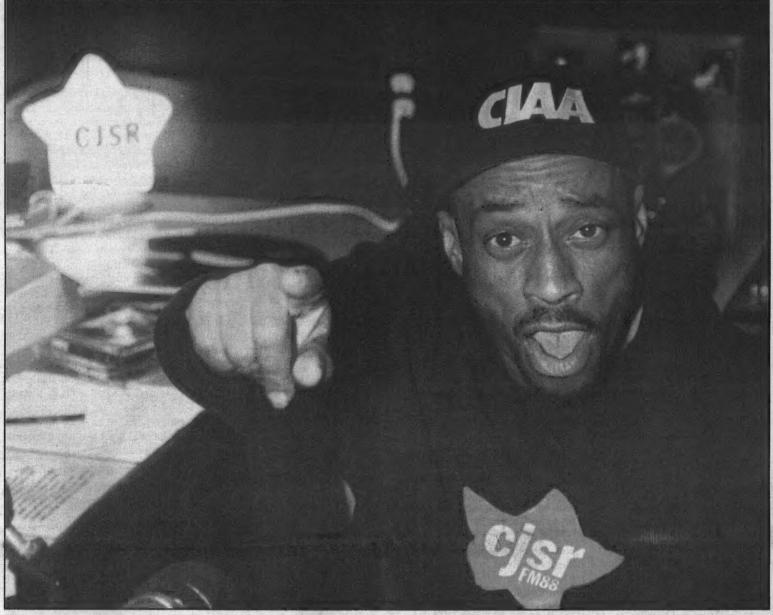
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Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build bridges even where there are no rivers.

-Nikita Khruschev

#### This day in the Gateway's history:

The Gateway was awarded an All-American Honor Rating by the Associated Collegiate Press. The Gateway was praised for its features, news coverage, and print quality. Noted faults were an over-emphasis on social news, bad headlines, and lack of standards for the sports section. Plus ça change ...

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#### **Newton Place** tenants reject \$150 offer

Christie Tucker NEWS EDITOR

Residents of Newton Place who complained about construction disrupting their homes and study time have voted to reject the offer by University Housing and Food Services (HFS) to reduce rents by \$150 monthly.

In a meeting held on Tuesday night, the residents voted that they would not accept the HFS offer, which they felt was vague and noncommittal.

"I want something in writing," said Miranda Jimmy, one of the residents who made the original complaint to the University.

"How can I reject or accept [their offer] if I don't know what the terms

In a meeting with HFS Director David Bruch on Friday, Jimmy said residents tentatively accepted the terms of agreement, depending on the outcome of the meeting Tuesday night.

"We were guinea pigs to see how it would go over," she said.

Those "guinea pigs" changed their minds when the next meeting came up.



PLEASE SEE "RENT" ON PAGE 2 | Contrary to the deal, students are paying more for Coke from machines.

# Coke prices rise without Students' Union's approval

Jon Dunbar

Students and administration were surprised earlier this week to see the prices rise on campus Coke machines.

Prices for 500mL bottles inflated from \$1.50 to \$1.75 in vending machines in the Van Vliet Center.

"We were contacted by the university to see if we were prepared to agree with this, we said no," said Greg Harlow, VP (Operations and Finance) at the Students' Union. "Obviously, somebody crossed the line somewhere."

The Coke deal voted in by referendum two years ago stipulates that only a limited number of people may read it, including General Manager Bill Smith and the SU VP (Operations and Finance).

According to Harlow, under the terms of the deal between Coca Cola, the University, and the Students' Union, in order to increase soft drink prices before three years have passed, all three parties must be in agreement.

"For fairly obvious reasons, this party ain't agreeing," said Harlow.

The three-year agreement with Coca Cola is dated to expire at the end of this academic school year, at which point the company will legally be able to raise prices.

"I guess things will be back on the table at that point," said

"We certainly haven't had any other problems with the deal," Harlow remarked.

The increase in revenue to the University is not really worth the increase in price that the students would have to pay," said Harlow. "I suspect students would be POed if I raised the prices. Those are the political realities."

Earlier this year, Coca Cola received heavy criticism after considering installing heat sensors in their vending machines. The sensors would have measured environmental temperature and varied the price according to perceived demand.

The Office of the University VP (Finance & Administration) was unavailable for comment regarding the price increase.

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#### Poli Sci prof doesn't buy magazine ads

Jasmine Pui

If pictures still say more than words, then the Report on Business Magazine (ROB) has its work cut out. Such is the state of ROB advertising policies according to Political Science professor Linda Trimble.

She investigated the relationship between ads in ROB and their societal impact. ROB is published by the Globe and Mail.

Although more than one-third of Canadian businesses are owned by women, the messages in the ads stereotype them as having an insignificant place in the business world, Trimble said.

"Whenever we think of power, achievement and performance. generally the same visual image of a white male in a business suit is used," said Trimble.

Trimble cited examples of ROB ads that summarize the genderbias, with the "corporate cowboy," depicting a businessman walking on water, versus a female businesswoman who doesn't know how to use the Internet

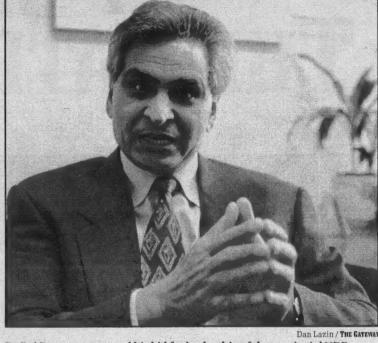
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Whenever we think of power, achievement and performance, generally the same visual image of a white male in a business suit is used.

> Linda Trimble, professor, Political Science, U of A

According to Jim Spaeth, President of the Advertising Research Foundation, consumers are motivated to a greater degree by advertising they like, compared to ads that irritate or offend. "We are not aware of any research that demonstrates that a negative attitude towards an ad generates a negative attitude toward the publication," he said.

"Androgenous ads are not necessarily more important than projecting an image of competence, efficiency and power." Trimble mused, "but the gender bias does reflect our ideas of what shapes a society."



Dr Raj Pannu announced his bid for leadership of the provincial NDP.

# Raj Pannu announces bid for NDP leadership

Christie Tucker

Former U of A professor and current interim leader of the New Democrat Party, Raj Pannu has announced his candidacy to lead the party into the next provincial election.

Pannu replaced former NDP leader Pam Barrett on 3 February after a near-death experience prompted Barrett to resign. This will be the first time Pannu has faced an election for the position.

"The work that I've done over the past seven months has got me so deeply involved in the issues, and I felt I was effective in addressing them," said Pannu about his decision to run.

Pannu is optimistic about the response his party may get from voters in the imminent provincial election. "As I was travelling around the province, people were very generous about what they said about my performance. Clearly, there was a message here."

Pannu feels that Albertans are ready for a political change after recent protests opposing the controversial Bill 11, which supported private health facilities.

Pannu's leadership bid has been publicly endorsed by Alberta Federation of Labour leader Audrey Cormack. "I think he's a strong MLA who's committed and passionate about issues," she said.

Aside from health care, one of Pannu's main priorities is making post-secondary education accessible, he said.

The former Law professor says his time at the U of A made him sensitive to tuition levels and the corporatization of education.

Since Pannu's constituency covers the university area, he is aware that he "bear[s] a very special responsibility to the constituents."

Pannu decried the slide that has occurred since the eighties in post-secondary funding, particularly since Ralph Klein won leadership of the Conservative party.

Pannu criticized the government's recent announcement to award substantial tax cuts to corporations in the province, while the Conservatives maintained that tuition must remain the responsibility of students.

"I've been pushing the government in the direction of rolling back tuition, so we can be sure that no properly qualified Albertan misses going to university because of high tuition," he said.

The Alberta New Democrat Party has grown by more than 5000 members since 1997, an indication, Pannu thinks, that Albertans are ready for some fresh blood in the Legislative Assembly.

The leadership convention will be from 3 to 5 November in Edmonton

#### They have kept their overhead low by "starting small and doing everything ourselves," said Martin. The revenues in 1999 were up 250

#### The small scale of their growing company has required the maintenance of day jobs. Martin teaches English at Mount Royal College in Calgary, and is completing his doctoral thesis in Comparative Literature at the U of A. Rob Stocks, who has a BComm from the U of A, runs MediaWeb solutions, a web development agency in Kamloops. MediaWeb is working on e-commerce solutions for clients

per cent from the previous year.

Grads start

up alternative

e-bookstore

to challenge

online giants

Iva Seto

Two U of A grad students have started

Their project, called North-West

Passages (NWP), is in competition

with Chapters.ca, Indigo.ca, and

Amazon.com-just a few of the

megastores in the on-line book

Four years ago, Paul Martin and

Rob Stocks decided to merge their skills to create NWP. This is a

deliberate strategy on their part to

be the complete opposite of the on-

line megastores, by specializing on

a specific group of readers, they

explain. This also allows them to

offer highly personalized service,

due to the specific target of their

year and slacked a bit this year."

said Stocks. "We are at the stage

now where we have to take things

to the next level and begin treating

where we have to take things

- Rob Stocks, co-founder,

The fact that nwpassages.com

has turned a profit is surprising to

them and to everyone else, in light

of the fact that most of the e-book-

stores, including Amazon, Indigo,

and Chapters, have failed to make

money because of the amount of

resources required to keep them

operating.

North-West Passages

to the next level and begin

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their own online bookstore which will carry only Canadian literature.

For the day-to-day operations of NWP, Stocks and Martin credit their wives for their active roles in the business. "Sarah Bagshaw, Rob's wife, has been working a lot with us. ... Without her contribution at this time, we'd be in some difficulty," said Martin.

like Sport Mart and Rogers Video.

Embassies around the world are requesting the aid of Northwest Passages to help stock their Canadian Studies libraries.

"Our customer base is expanding quite well. [We] have picked up universities in Denmark, Poland, and Japan," said Stocks. According to an article in the Globe and Mail, the Canadian embassy in Syria asked the company to stock a Canadian literature library for them, and an Australian university ordered 100' copies of a Timothy Findlay book.

## Rent reduction rejected by riled residents

"RENT" FROM PAGE 1

Jimmy speculated that the residents might be holding out for a better offer from the University, given the outside pressure on the U of A from tenants' lawyers and interest from the media.

I was against it because the University still won't admit that they lied to us and misinformed us of dates.

> - Miranda Jimmy, resident, Newton Place

Jimmy said she was against HFS's deal, which offered \$150 to students on the most disrupted floors, \$50 a month to some other students, and nothing to others in the building.

"I was against it because the University still won't admit that they lied to us and misinformed us of dates," she said.

The residents are returning to the University with a counter-offer of a two-tiered rent rebate system of between 60 to 100 per cent for affected floors and 40 to 75 per cent for floors that are less disrupted.

The Newton Place students will be represented to HFS by Residence Hall Association President Tanya Spencer, who will bring their new demands to Associate Vice-President (Finance and Operations) Nazim Merali on Thursday morning, along with Graduate Students' Association President Shannon McEwen.

Merali was unavailable for comment at time of publication.



THE GATEWAY Newton Place tenant Miranda Jimmy.



Tim Bulger / THE CATEWAY

Bill Moore-Kilgannon is helping students start their own PIRG.

# Activist resource centre to be put to referendum

Everett Jensen

Students on campus may be starting up a grass-roots Public Interest Research Group given agreement by the student body in the spring.

Public Interest Research Groups, or PIRGs, have been set up at universities all over North America over the last 30 years, and this will be the U of A's third attempt at creating one.

Ralph Nader, leader of the Green Party and contender in this year's US presidential election, was instrumental in setting up the first PIRGs in the 1960s.

The Edmonton chapter would join resource groups at 19 other institutions in Canada, as well as countless others in the United States.

Students approached the Parkland Institute for direction in setting up the project.

"This is a really good way to have students involved in all sorts of community activity and a way to get them involved in their community," said Bill Moore-Kilgannon, director of the Parkland Institute, a left-wing think-tank based at the University.

"We want this to be a studentbased initiative," he said. "The Parkland Institute will give its help in whatever way it can in the way of space for meetings and things like that, but without students who are dedicated to the cause, this thing will never get off the ground."

In order for the PIRG to be set up, there will need to be a petition, and eventually a referendum at the University.

Students will then have to vote on whether or not to add a two-to-three dollar surcharge to each semester's non-instructional fees, and will have to vote for the PIRG representative during the Students' Union elections.

"If for some reason students feel as if they do not want their money going towards the PIRG, they can apply for a refund and it will be granted," said Moore-Kilgannon.

The PIRG will need about 100 volunteers over the next year to take off. The volunteers will begin circulating petitions by January.

"It is important to remember that the PIRG needs to get set up before it can properly function. It will be a tough year, but if people want it badly enough, these students will leave a great legacy for future students," Moore-Kilgannon said.

A founding meeting will be held on 40 October at 5:00pm. There is no set venue yet.

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# Une première parution qui fait des vagues

Nicolas Paquet

QUEBEC (PUIQ) — Dès la deuxième semaine de distribution conjointe du *Fil* des événements et du *Soleil à l'Université de Laval*, certains de leurs présentoirs ont été saccagés. Mardi dernier, tous les présentoirs du pavillons De Koninck ont été jetés dehors.

Le geste a été annoncé par un fax anonyme provenant des locaux de l'association des étudiants(es) en sciences sociales (AESS). Au sein de l'organisme estudiantine, on explique qu'il existe plusieurs clés des locaux et que par conséquent, de nombreuses personnes ont pu avoir accès au fameux fax. Mathieu Dumont, de l'AESS, insiste toutefois sur le fait que les gens impliqués dans cette histoire ne font pas partie de l'association et ont agit à titre personnel.

Selon les précisions obtenues par *Impact Campus*, les vandales seraient des étudiants qui désirent dénoncer l'envahissement du privé sur le campus. Ceci n'auraient été mis au courant de l'entente liant l'Université et Le Soleil qu'à la rentrée et auraient fortement réagi en apercevant les présentoirs. Contrairement aux rumeurs qui ont circulait, il ne s'agit donc pas d'une activité prenant place dans le cadre des initiations qui avaient lieu le même jour.

En vertu d'une entente signée à la toute fin de la session d'hiver 2000, l'édition du jeudi du journal Le Soleil sera dorénavant encartée dans le journal Au Fil des événéments.

À cela s'est ajouté le remplacement des présentoirs par de nouveaux ayant une capacité plus grande et où les deux partenaires sont clairement identifiés. Certains d'entre vous auront cependant noté que dans le cadre de Rendez-vous Laval, une seconde distribution a été faite le mardi 5 septembre. Celle-ci comportait un exemplaire de l'édition du mardi du Soleil. Selon Paul Naud, adjoint au vice-recteur à l'administration et aux finances: «cette initiative de l'Université est tout à fait exceptionnelle et cela ne se reproduira





## Computer riot leader harbours no bitterness toward university

Josh Cuppage **Ariel Troster** THE LINK

MONTREAL (CUP) - The last time Rosie Douglas entered Concordia's Hall Building, he left in handcuffs. On Sunday, the former activist returned as the Prime Minister of Dominica, looking to "build bridges" with the University.

Douglas led the student movement at Concordia's precursor, Sir. George Williams University. That movement was responsible for the now-famous 1969 Computer Riot.

Students occupied the Hall Building in February of that year protesting against professor Perry Anderson's allegedly racist marking methods.

After negotiations with the University broke down, the demonstration turned into a riot. Ninetyseven people were arrested, and the damage was estimated at \$2 million.

Shouldering much of the blame for the riot, Douglas was sentenced to two years in jail and fined \$5000. He was released after serving 16 months of his sentence but a deportation order to his native country of Dominica followed.

In 1976 Douglas was declared a national security risk and was escorted out of the country in shackles. Twenty-four years later, Douglas said he harbours no bitterness toward the University, but he had a few harsh words for the RCMP.

"I have no hostility towards Canada. I'm sure I feel more Canadian than most of you," Douglas said at a pre-speech press conference.

Joking that the students involved in the 1969 incident "knew the importance of computers," he expressed interest in setting up a technology exchange between University Concordia Dominica.

"I'd like to see Concordia play a major role in information technology," Douglas said, explaining that he had already set up a similar program with York University.

During the speech, Douglas outlined his life, tracing his history as an 18-year-old agricultural school student to his position as leader

of a small Caribbean nation, which he began this January.

Touching on a variety of issues concerning his governance of the country, Douglas said that his political convictions—including his close ties with Libya-are still giving him trouble today.

"Just last week, the FBI spoke with me in my hotel room [at the UN's Millennium Summit in New York] about Libya."

Douglas said that last month, in a visit to Libya, he and his Dominican contingent received the red-carpet treatment in the Sahara from their hosts.

The Libyan government is also slated to provide funds for a new stadium that is to be built in Dominica.

Despite Douglas' assurance that he felt welcome in Canada, audience members couldn't help but notice an overwhelmingly strong security presence. Men in black suits sporting high-tech communication devices roamed throughout the auditorium, in a show of security the Hall Building likely hasn't seen since the riot.

In the question-and-answer



Dominican Prime Minister Rosie Douglas speaks to Concordia students.

period following the speech, one woman questioned the need for such drastic security measures, which included a search of all bags and a pat-down by security officers.

Tom Keefer, Student Association spokesperson, said the security measures reflected the high calibre of the speaker. He said that whether or not the guards were armed was something he couldn't get into.

He was, however, willing to say that plainclothes RCMP agents were in the crowd.

Douglas, for his part, seemed to brush off the issue.

"I don't like security," said Douglas, "but I'm told that it's needed. ... I've been taught that when someone kills you, they take all of your sins. I have enough sins for somebody to take."

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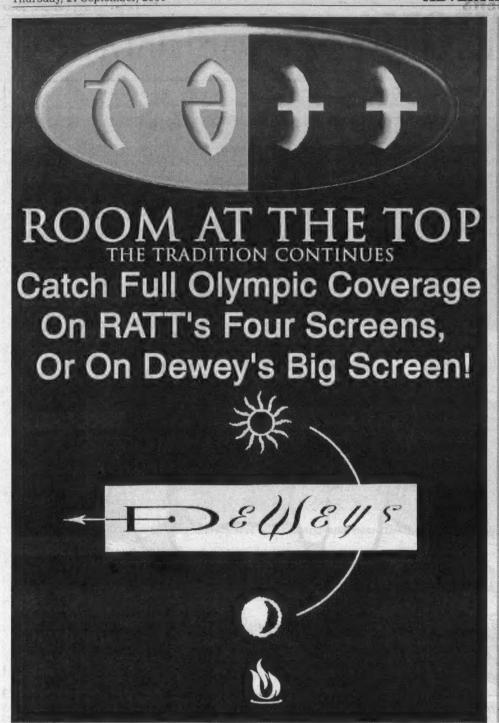


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# **EDITORIAL**Racism isn't just the construct of whiners

I hate white people—at least I used to. The reason was because I came to hate myself for who I was.

I think that I was six years old when I was first initiated into my role as a "chink." My family had just moved from Montreal to Calgary. The neighborhood was predominately white, with the exception of us. Some kids were walking by; they were probably between the ages of six to ten. I walked over to them, thinking that I might make some new friends. They didn't say anything as I approached, and their stare reflected a blank curiousity.

Well, one of the kids quickly realized that I was not like them. I was different. All I can think now is that he was probably repeating his father's words as he yelled, "Chink!" He picked up a rock and threw it. The other kids, not knowing what else to do followed in suit.

I told my parents that I was playing and had fell. I don't know why.

The racism that goes on is much more subtle now. In many circles, the topic of racism is so heated that most people would rather ignore it at all costs.

In a recent news broadcast, the coast guard found a boatload of smuggled Chinese refugees. Apparently, they had to be treated due to the harsh conditions that their smugglers had exposed them to—they were put into rail boxes with little

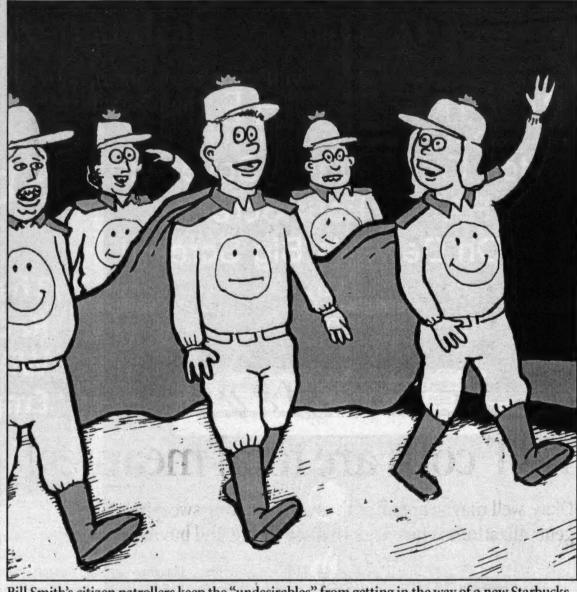
access to air. After the broadcast, the station received calls from worried viewers. They had heard that a dog was also trapped with the refugees and these callers wanted to adopt it and give it a good home.

At the University of Toronto, Dr Kin-Yip Chun was awarded \$400 000 in compensation, an estimated \$150 000 in legal fees and a \$260 000 research start-up fund for dropping his allegations of racial discrimination. In last Thursday's Globe and Mail, writer Margaret Wente warns that this precedent will give, "an implicit invitation to anyone who feels abused to play the racial blackmail card."

What Wente seems to ignore is that there are probably countless cases of discrimination that never get reported. Many people may not even realize that they are targets of racism. They just assume that they're not working hard enough, or find another fault in their own work—just as long as they don't have to bring up the fact that they're different. Wente doesn't seem to understand that most people don't want to use this "trump" card of racism.

I do believe that people should be careful with their accusations, but they should be able to confront the issue of racism. It does happen.

Chul-Ahn Jeong



Bill Smith's citizen patrollers keep the "undesirables" from getting in the way of a new Starbucks.

#### **LETTERS**

# Earth to Winters: your opinions suck

Mr Winters' column of 44 September is, although insightful and with purpose, somewhat misleading and, obviously, biased. However, I might thank him for the mention of Jane Stewart. Any Canadian not deeply insulted by her refusal to resign must have had their head recently dipped in cement. The misappropriation of monies by her department cannot be referred to as a "bungle"—it is outright buggery (in the fiscal sense).

To criticize Day's manipulation of media is not without merit, but I must call Winters' attention to Jean Chretien and his mentor Pierre Trudeau—two of the greatest all-Canadian cowboys ever to grace the television screen. Day's actions are not without Liberal precedence. Just look at the recent front page photos of Jean Chretien skiing, skateboarding, and whitewater rafting.

Mr Winters believes that social conservatism is not a trend. While very few of us will be wearing highbutton blouses and bloomers this fall, the Liberal government has lost all but one of its provincial governments since Chretien was first elected.

Also, "all" women may not be "staunchly pro-life," but these and other social issues can be addressed by referenda—this is part of the mandate of the Canadian Alliance. It is the intent of the

party to initiate binding referenda on social issues.

There are those who believe Canada has a foreign affairs mandate (eg. military expenditure) and that the issue of gun control has both a social and an individual effect—that is to say possible infringements upon the liberty and autonomy of a citizen.

The general public favors abstraction and delusion, or so the current government would have us believe. The "general public," Mr Winters, have not been offered a true and certain alternative, or a "choice." I know it's hard to swallow, but even by touching on the barest of issues I can say with no small certainty that the Canadian Alliance represents democracy in its better form: better representation (votes based on constituency representation), better accountability (up to and including resignation) and better freedom (a single tax and greater provincial autonomy).

You have not been negligent in your facts, sir, but rather what was implied by them. I suggest you look closer at their mandate is (try the website).

Roy Kok

#### Let's KO Klein, OK?

Cameron Donald ("Klein is A-Ok!" 14 September, 2000), you are thinking of a different economy, a time before \$5.5 billion surpluses and recovery from years of record low oil prices. Simply put, education spending is not keeping up with the the times. We want and we need and while Ralph listens, Ralph doesn't really care.

The Klein government is currently attempting face-saving maneouvers, designed to assuage public fears regarding future tight-fistedness.

We see media men touting the \$21 million "donation" towards a new engineering building as a project portent of things to come. Nothing in that deal helps engineering students pay their tuition so that they can study in it-let alone provide comforts for the poor social scientists in the dingy Tory basement. No real money is being spent to help students. Just look at the \$7000 dentistry clinic fee and the province's refusal to pay \$12 million dollars to keep Millenium Scholarships at their 1999-2000 levels.

There's no long term commitments, no real student assistance, just one time projects to promote government "generosity." This is why the timing of the energy rebates is so slick-it throws around the big bucks and hits every Albertan in the wallet, while completely ignoring the needs of the public sector. It's not that I dislike the \$300 rebate, we are simply nauseated by a pattern of "public spending" that is inconsistent and ineffective. We aren't running a deficit and we won't be running a deficit anytime soon-our economy is plowing ahead. Why can't we have some real commitment to education funding?

The need for an educated population is great. Klein must understand that diploma-toting people are the prerequisite for economic diversification into high-tech and financial industries—the most lucrative sectors of the global economy. It's apparent to anyone that Alberta needs to graduates, not people who have to quit school because of lack of funds. Klein ought to quit his deficit-spin on spending and deal with the current problems facing Alberta.

JOSH FRAESE

# We didn't ask him to write this—we swear

I just wanted to congratulate the Gateway staff who worked on last year's joke issue. The issue was an excellent spoof of the very popular magazine Maxim. The September issue of Maxim even had pictures of the joke issue in it, as well as the awesome news that Dan Lazin—the Gateway's Editor-in-Chief—was hired by Maxim. It was very nice to see the Gateway's staff's hard work pay off and get into the prestigous magazine Maxim!

SCOTT MCMILLAN SCIENCE V

#### People living in Newton have it bad

I live in Newton Place. I thought I had it bad until I attended the tenants' meeting held 11 September.

I personally have experienced a

fair amount of noise while living there. But I learned that other people have had to put up with much worse noise and chaos.

The thing that caught my eye in Tuesday's edition of the Gateway was David Bruch trying to make it sound difficult to give out a \$50 rebate for students most affected the inconviences of on-going construction. This "rebate" adds up to \$17 000. OK, let's get this straight. They bought the building for \$16 million, 17 per cent of the U of A's \$500 million budget is generated by Housing and Food Services and he's telling the students that HFS is caught between a rock and a hard place for \$17 000? Give me a break. Personally, I think that HFS should rebate half the rent for those students affected the most and freeze rent for everybody else next year. The renovations alone are probably in the millions of dollars. As well, construction workers are using the bathrooms of tenants for their own personal use. It sucks.

DANIEL NIELSON

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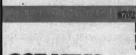
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Look out! The LRT cops are coming, and if you're really smart, you'll board the same train as them and get a ticket.

# LRT cops are total meanies!

Okay, well maybe not all of them. But making sweeping generalizations is far easier than going out and buying a bus pass



**Chris Boutet** 

Now, I know that I may be taking an unpopular stance here, but sometimes it is the journalist's duty to break the shackles of public opinion and say what he has to say. So here it is: LRT cops are big dumb jerks. They're not skilled enough to be real police, not assertive enough to be mall security guards, yet still desperately needing a job that includes the use of a walkie-talkie. They inevitably wind up riding LRT cars all day, hassling good people like you and me. "Uh oh," you're probably thinking: "he's not going to write a whole article about how he got a ticket on the LRT or something, is he?" Well, you couldn't be more wrong. There's a least a sentence or two about the A-Team that I feel balances everything out rather

So yes, I got a ticket, but don't get me wrong: I'm the first person to admit that I deserved it. I've been riding the LRT for, like, a year and a half without once even thinking about paying for it. I've always felt that people shouldn't have to buy a \$49 bus pass just to ride from Grandin Station across the river. I mean, I could walk that far, but I don't want to. So I guess the LRT fare is really some kind of Fat-ass Tax. Oh well, I still hate it. And therefore I hate LRT cops! Grrr! Why, you ask? Because their only purpose in life is to make you pay! They rule their Light Rail Fiefdoms through fear, like short little puffyjacketed Stalins with flashlights. But I digress, mostly because I'm

And trust me; I do feel like an idiot. I've always said that there is no reason that you should ever be caught riding for free. I mean, it's not like they're ninjas or something. They get on, you get off. While a ninja would probably appear behind you in a cloud of smoke,

"Uh oh," you're probably thinking: "he's not going to write a whole article about how he got a ticket on the LRT or something, is he?" Well, you couldn't be more wrong. There's a least a sentence or two about the A-Team that I feel balances everything out rather nicely.

simultaneously blinding you with chalk dust while writing you a ticket before flipping away, LRT cops just shrug their shoulders and get fatter Rut regardless of this I still somehow fell into the hands of the enemy last Friday afternoon. I saw her in the nearest car as it

pulled up, so I ran ahead to the next car, thereby making it totally fucking obvious to everyone with eyes that I had probably not paid, or at least had a backpack full of uncut cocaine. She saw me, followed me on, and I was done for.

Long story short, she used her super-sleuth skills to deduce the fact that I had not, in fact paid, regardless of my web of lies, and here I stand today with a \$110 fine. I think it's pretty funny to think that they believe that someone who was obviously not willing to spend a buck-sixety-five would rush out to promptly pay this ludicrous amount. I know I won't. And really, I think I got a real bargain. I mean, I rode the LRT for well over a year and all I have to pay is a hundred and ten dollars? I would have spent close to a thousand if I had actually been buying transit passes. The way I figure it, I can get caught once every two months and just be breaking even.

Now that's democracy, somew. Oh. and the A-Team rules. Especially Hannibal, who used to wear disguises all the time, which is pretty cool.

#### DAVE ALEXANDER'S TOP TEN Signs you're on a bad construction site

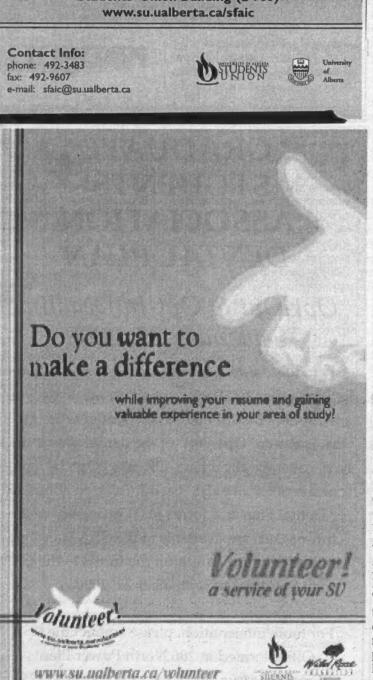
- For insurance purposes, the foreman gives you a Men Without Hats cassette and tells you to learn the "Safety Dance" for Monday.
- When the freight elevator breaks, a bungee cord is strung over a girder.
- The architect prefers Lego to blueprints.
- Your hard-hat melts in the rain.
- You're offered the regular drill or the "Workers' Comp" Drill.
- There's a sign posted on the site that states: "two drink minimum."
- When you ask the boss what it is you're building, he slaps you on the ass and repiles, "Character, son, character."
- Sporadic games of nail-gun tag break out on a daily basis.
- You swear you saw a guy trying to hold a wall together with Post-It notes.
- 1 Hard-hats are required. Pants, however, are not.

# Ahem.

There's a little situation here where we'd like a few more Opinion writers to round out this section. Talk to Mike in 0-10 SUB, and he'll sort you out.

#### THE GATEWAY







"Hey," thinks the man at the top of the tuition line, "I sure would like to pay my tuition at the end of November."

## There's no need to pay tuition so soon



September, more than any other month, ravages students' finances. On the twenty-ninth day of the month, every student on this campus is supposed to submit at least tuition for the first term to Financial Services. And that seems like a rather reasonable date-at least it wasn't the beginning of this month, as soon as we returned to school. But this is one of those cases

where a lack of thought is still causing students a lot more discomfort than is really necessary.

You see, if tuition were due just two days later-on 1 Octoberthen every student (or parent) paying tuition by credit card would get an additional month in which to pay off that debt. That would delay tuition payment until the end of Novermber. This harms no one save the credit-card companies, and, by my estimate, it could save students over \$500 000 per yeareven given the relatively few students who pay with credit.

There isn't much more to it than that. The University has the date set as the final business day in September because of traditionit's been that way since at least 1993, which is the last recorded

change to the relevant bylaw. Credit cards weren't a consideration with tuition payment back then, so the rules have stuck.

And this is the sad thing about bureaucracy. It's a simple change, and neither Financial Services nor the Registrar's Office expressed to me that it would be a bad idea. But whose job is it to give thought to outdated policy?

I haven't yet been paid for any of my summer jobs, and the \$300 in my bank account is meant to cover my \$900 Visa bill, which is due tomorrow. Sometime in the next month, before the next bill comes due, I have to find some tuition money. To save \$500 000, someone can take a few minutes to add this one little item to a Board of Governors agenda.

# All kangaroos must die—especially those which currently pester me



Neal Ozano

That's right, I hate kangaroos They're cute, hoppy, and generally fun-looking, but I swear that if I see one more stupid kangaroo on TV, I'll kill it (somehow).

What brought on this psychotic episode, you ask? Well, as you know, the Olympics are presently in full-boring mode Down Under, and every channel that doesn't regularly run sports (i.e. all the "educational" channels like Life, Bravo, or TLC) seems compelled to do one thing, and one thing only: air programs about marsupials.

At first glance, this might sound like a stupid thing to bitch about. Most students don't watch enough TV to even notice something as trivial as this. Or do they? Every channel, every second of the day, is now showing nature shows about pouched or egg-laying mammals! Monotremes on TLC! Marsupials on A&E! From dingoes to didgeridoos to kangaroos to hopping marsupial

pant-wearing Aboriginal Ayers-Rock bush-tucker swag-men, there is absolutely nothing to watch if you don't want to hear about the fauna of Australia.

Was there this much stuff on the animals living around Atlanta during their summer Olympics? In 1996, I don't remember learning a single thing about that American city, or its flora and fauna. Neither Friends, Frasier, nor The Simpsons were interrupted by anything about the crawfish or widemouth bass, or the Hill-Billy tribes of the outlying areas. And the coverage of the actual Olympics was on TV live while people were actually awake! None of this 3:00 am live coverage

Unfortunately, the Olympics themselves don't hold much in the way of entertainment, either. The opening ceremonies are as exciting as watching a trillion Super Bowl half-time shows, and once that excitement fades, sports like swimming, heavy-thing throwing, breathing, and tooth-brushing consistently and gloriously fail to win my attention away from programming such as dog-food or feminine hygiene commercials. And

the commentary? "Well, Bob. It looks like Mira Prevolidch of the Country Formerly Known as Russia seems to have no idea what to do with the sharp, pointy stick she should be throw-

"It's called a javelin, Mike. Did you know that in 1904, the sport of javelin was just as boring as it is today? Photos of those Olympics show the stands almost as empty as they are this wonderful Wednesday in Sydney."

"Who cares?"

"It's called banter. Bob. It fills what would otherwise be dead air with sounds that keep people awake until the Chrysler commercials come on."

"Oh. Can I go home now?" Etcetera.

To make things worse. Canada isn't winning anything, anyway. It's boring enough to watch the events, but when your country is behind countries that can't even afford swimsuits for their hairy, belugaskinned swimmers and runners, the games totally lose the tiny bit of appeal they might have..

Men and women around the world, unite! Stand up to the pointless evil that is the Olympics! Turn off your TVs! Throw out your kangaroos! Free yourself from what promises to be the most boring event we're likely to see in the next four years. Stand up to what is essentially a commercial for Coke, Pepsi, and marsupials, and just say no.

#### THE GATEWAY

# I don't need you or your intelligence



David Zeibin

Thanks to the University of Alberta, I no longer need any friends. Thanks to the Gateway, I no longer have any.

The other day, MOO Mail (the e-mail program on the Alberta MOO, an Internet-based classroom environment we use for my Cyberphilosophy class) told me that I should go to a particular online Wired article which in turn referred me to MindPixel's website. MindPixel is creating a monstrous database of "concensus human knowledge."

GAC (Genetic Artificial Consciousness-pronounced "Jack") is an experiment that will supposedly have all the knowledge any average person would. I ask GAC a question and he responds either "true" or "false" based on the information in his database. Then I am required to answer 20 true-or-false questions (asked by other inquisitors) as best I can to indicate to GAC what the majority of people will answer.

From what I can gather, GAC is already an atheist ("There is a God" prompted the response "False") and understands the growth process of animals (the timeless egg-before-chicken/chickenbefore-egg question resulted in a Really, I have no need for outside contact anymore. GAC tells me everything I need to know: Nazis are bad, fruit is good for me, I like steak, and apparently sex is awesome.

definite egg-precedes-chicken). But more impressive than that, GAC knows that rotten eggs smell bad, Canadians don't live in igloos, and James' testicles are the size of grapefruits.

Really, I have no need for outside contact anymore. GAC tells me everything I need to know: Nazis are bad, fruit is good for me, I like steak, and apparently sex is awesome. Just these four things tell me that GAC is already light years ahead of the human race in general. Soon GAC will be winning American presidential elections, ending world hunger, and leading the space race.

A point needs to be made. GAC, as smart as he is, isn't really learning at all. All he does is acquire data and cross-reference bits of information so he can associate the word "Nazi" with "bad" or the combination of "James" and "testicle" with "grapefruit" then return a Boolean value based on the association.

Apparently, the idea of creating "intelligence" through a massive database has been tried before. Unfortunately, it's not computationally realistic to parse through thousands, millions, or in this case, one billion entries in a short enough time period to keep the user from smashing a crow bar through the side of their computer in pure frustration all to eventually find out that, yes, GAC knows your girlfriend is sleeping with your stepbrother.

No doubt, GAC's database will eventually be so comprehensive that there will be little left for him to know. It is a valient effort by MindPixel but it is simply useless and isn't that revolutionary other than the fact that it will be the biggest database of its kind. Yes, it will be the biggest.

All my criticism aside, the original idea was a brilliant one but some things just won't work when transferred from theory to the real world. And if it's been proven in the past that it will fail, why are they attempting it again?

I admit, though, that I am addicted. GAC appaers to be fairly proficient at answering correctly and due to the nature of the project, he can only get better.

With the exception of the James' "grapefruit" question, rarely has GAC been wrong. In fact, the only thing GAC has been wrong about is that he thinks the world is not round. This doesn't necessarily mean he thinks it is flat, but apparently it is certainly not round.

This is GAC's inherent flaw. He will believe absolutely everything we tell him, provided the majority thinks that way.

GAC is like every boring acquaintance I've ever had: he always does what everyone tells him and always conforms at the whim of society. I guess you can replicate human intelligence after

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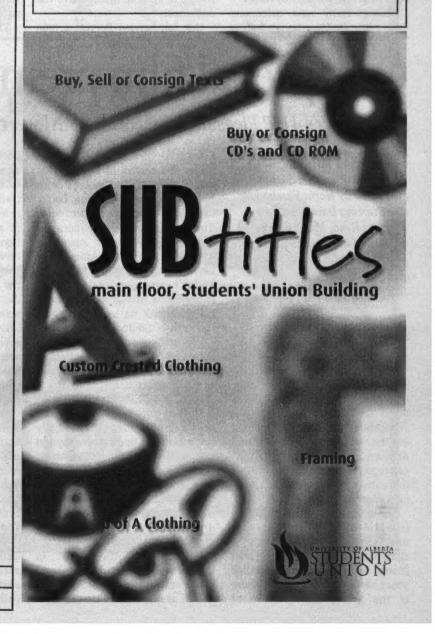
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# Bosstones mighty fine at incorporating crowd in stage show

Ska show given a boost by audience interaction and Eminem-lookalike bouncer

REVIEW

Mighty Mighty Bosstones with the Gadjits Golden Garter 18 September

> Kati Kovacs ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF

I had no idea how much fun I would have last Monday night. I was pumped because it was a ska show, but I was honestly not a huge fan of either band. Well, I may have gone into the Golden Garter slightly ambivalent, but I left feeling totally enlivened by both the Gadjits and the appropriately named Mighty Mighty Bosstones.

From the get-go, the show was characterized by a high energy. At the early hour of 8:30pm, the Gadjits took the stage in matching Fred Perry polo shirts and oldskool track shoes. The mod/rock/ ska band from Kansas are known for their frenetic stage presence, and the guitarist bounced all over the stage, while the keyboardist contorted her body into various rock-star poses. The bassist and guitarist shared the singing duties, both with raw, yet soulful voices.

Among many new selections were some old favorites, including "Beautiful Girl." It was a full and flowing set, despite the guitarist breaking a total of three stringstwo during one song.

After a 15-minute break, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones appeared to the strains of the Edwin Starr classic, "War." While many audience members were being crushed against the front barrier, Lead singer Dicky Barrett pulled one lucky fan onstage to finish off a song with him, before being sent back into the skanking masses. This was to be the first of many plucked from the audience, including an unfortunate bouncer who bore a resemblance to Eminem. Barrett harassed him about his bleached hair and called him "The Real Slim Shady." He then sent the bouncer back offstage with his sunglasses, and told the poor guy that the only thing that gave him license to be such an ass was that his own name was Dicky.

It was obvious that the fans' love for the band was almost rabid, as almost everyone seemed to know the words to all of the songs. "1-2-8" was the loudest, with hundreds screaming along. Dicky kept up the chatter between songs to the point where he would address his comments to specific members of the

One fan handed Barrett a tape



Mighty Mighty Bosstones lead singer Dicky Barrett's gravelly voice sanded the finish off the mic last Monday.

from his St Albert ska band, Lost Actin Heroes, but the gift was refused, as the singer had one already. However, Barrett promptly invited the entire band onstage to perform a song. Naturally, they were ecstatic, and played really well considering they didn't even have their regular drummer.

The show pressed on with no members, and to say how much

sign of either performers or crowd mellowing, not even the pointlessbut-funny Bosstones dancer who sweated and flailed for everyone's enjoyment. "The Impression That I Get" was the last song before the encore, but the Bosstones put a new twist on it. After pausing in the middle to introduce the band

they love touring with The Gadjits, Dicky and the band broke into their version of "Tin Soldiers." Everyone sang along, bringing an unforgettable end to an incredible night.

I left the Golden Garter with renewed interest in both bands, and a bruised arm as a proud reminder of all the adrenalinefuelled skoshing.

# Gritty local film premieres this weekend

Fassbender's 1132 Pleasant Street deals with love, racism, and family loyalties

#### FILMREVIEW 1132 Pleasant Street

Directed by Norm Fassbender Starring David McNally, Kate Ryan, Mark Gibbon, and Kenneth Brown Blue Sky Communications Metro Cinema 21 to 24 September

> James Elford ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF

The irony inherent in the name 1132 Pleasant Street can only be understood when one sees the violence that takes place in Norm Fassbender's new film. The house at the aforementioned address appears at the end of the film, drawing together the unfolding drama in a climax of emotional and physical violence.

The story revolves around Bobby (David McNally), a disturbed young man and active participant in a right-wing American terrorist group. Bobby's father was killed years earlier protecting the leader of the group, Leo (Jean-Pierre Fournier). Now Bobby has come under the control of Leo and his son Frank (Mark Gibbon). After bombing a federal building, Bobby is sent to Toronto to hunt down Teddy (Ken Brown), a fundraiser of embezzling funds. After Bobby arrives in Toronto, he meets Teddy's estranged daughter, Laura (Kate Ryan) who dropped in for a surprise visit on her father, who has gone to Edmonton. Laura mistakes Bobby for one of her father's friends and a romantic relationship develops. It is our own city that the action finally comes to a climax, at 1132 Pleasant Street.

Despite suffering from budgetary restraints, the film is technically proficient. The cinematography and sound are good, and Fassbender does a fine job directing, especially around a lack of special effects during the more violent scenes. He instead employs gunshots which are only heard, not seen, but which still manage to be effective.

Unfortunately, the script is underdeveloped, awkward, and even confusing at times. The characters are ill-defined for the most

part, and the viewer is often left implication that Canada, and our questioning their actions. Even when Bobby and Laura start to trade spit on the train, the viewer is left wondering what the two saw in each other and how the rela- which supposedly is its catalyst. for the group who is suspected tionship developed between this. Though Fassbender seems to literature major and right-wing extremist. The end result is that the actors often look confused and displaced as they try and swim in a shallow script.

Despite the problems with the script, Fassbender still manages to create some emotional moments, but he is tugging on heartstrings which aren't given the chance to develop. The dialogue, especially that involving the militia, is often awkward and unnatural. Often the actors manage to work around this, and there are some honestly enjoyable scenes. McNally and Ryan do a good job trying to develop their characters' relationship, and Ken Brown is amusing as the wormy

There are some cute moments of Canadiana in the film, including a scene where the American Bobby says that he must "go to a town called Alberta." There is also the

way of thinking (as expressed through the character of Laura) somehow changes Bobby. This idea is as underdeveloped as the love,

hope that viewers will see the positive way in which Canada can affect the world, the idea ends up coming off as a self-righteous expression of nationalism, where merely existing in Canada can change a person for the better. Laura never really confronts Bobby's beliefs, but rather they seem to simply evaporate as Bobby basks in the shining light that is Canadian multiculturalism. The greatest conflict in the film occurs when Bobby, the stereotypical American, gets frustrated at being forced to wait in line. Meanwhile, Canadian Laura is quite reasonable and rational.

Despite the mediocrity of 1132 Pleasant Street, Fassbender and producer Kate Halowach should be recognized for having successfully produced a movie in Edmonton. Hopefully this film can be remembered for helping to revitalize Edmonton's film industry.

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Question: Who are the two women about whom lead singer Fat Mike is so fond of singing?

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# More *Urban Legends* equal less originality in horror sequel

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Urban Legends 2: Final Cut
Directed by John Ottman
Starring Jennifer Morrison,
Mathew Davis, Joseph
Lawrence, Hart Bochner,
and Loretta Devine
Starts Friday

Derek Stewart
Arts & Entertainment Staff

The latest teens-in-peril opus from director John Ottman is about as scary as *Beverly Hills 90210* is gritty. *Urban Legends 2: The Final Cut* is bespeckled with weak characterizations and riddled with every genre cliché imaginable.

Set in Alpine University, a respected film school, the film tells the story of film student Amy Mayfield (Jennifer Morrison) as she sets out to win the Hitchcock Award, which apparently guarantees a successful Hollywood career. A conversation with campus security guard, Reese (Loretta Devine), leads Amy to her thesis topic of urban legends and the occurances at Pendleton University (where the original Urban Legends took place).

Eventually, the budding auteurs along with the usual assortment of cute actors (including Joey "Whoa" Lawrence from *Blossom*) fall prey to numerous uninspired impalings, decapitations, electrocutions, shootings, and hangings.

The Final Cut is merely a rehash of the nineties-style slashathon that was resurrected by horror maestro Wes Craven's 1996 release, Scream. Hopelessly derivative of Craven's popular film, The Final Cut latches on to the self-reflexive movie within a movie theme that attempts to blur the lines between fiction and reality. Basic redundant trickery is used to make the viewer wonder if a particular sequence is our movie or the characters' movie.

In one scene, Amy plays back one of her film projects only to find that the maniac has spliced in footage of one of the cast members being murdered for real. While the idea of murders based on urban legends is an interesting premise, the film seems overly concerned with recreating the sharp wit of Scream. The actual legends are overshadowed by the film's fake hipster attitude to the point of not even being an intricate part of the theme.

The film came across as being very insecure about being referred to as a teen horror film, and therefore attempted to be something it isn't. References play a big part in modern horror films, and *The Final Cut* relegated its references to so-called "important filmmakers." There were illusions to Truffaut and Hitchcock that were pointless and failed to add the artful component that was desired. The film wanted to have philosophical elements, but in actuality only fulfilled a current pop culture trend.

Director Ottman is also responsible for the score, which was uninspired and lacking in atmosphere. The usual pulsating string orchestration during action sequences prevailed with no subtlety or nuance. The great horror scores, such as Dario Argento's Suspiria (1976) or John Carpenter's Halloween (1978) were mainly concerned with creating a tense atmosphere rather than dictating an emotional vibe or simply making people jump.

As you may well have guessed, everyone's a suspect. From the handsome misunderstood artist to the wacky special effects nerds, Urban Legends 2 has all the usual ingredients, including super models who display a sense of humor in the face of danger. The one-dimensional characters fumble through their lines, acting contrary to human nature, all the while looking like dancers in a Gap commercial.

The Final Cut puts all its emphasis on being clever, and not enough on genuine atmosphere. What makes the original slasher films of the late seventies and early eighties (Halloween to Friday the 13th) stand the test of time is their ability frighten without resorting to shallow twists and whodunits. The film is pure formula, which means that it will do reasonably well at the box office before disappearing like the treat-of-the-week fad that it is.

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Sheldon Biamonte

Pills has another solid album on their hands with *Musicsoldia*. With

a mixture of electronic house, hiphop, and acid house, the French crew craft a unique hybrid style that takes the listener on a spacey journey.

One of the best songs, "I Preach to Party," is a house classic that preaches "there's nothin' wrong with havin' fun." Well, duh ..... The songs aren't exactly heady, but undeniably enjoyable.

Other notable songs include "What Time is Love," "Superstar," and "Full of Stars," which are well equipped with electronic sounds similar to Prodigy, Daft Punk, and The Chemical Brothers. Musicsoldia is a solid release with enough variety for any listener to access, which is why Pills will surely meet with success.

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## Groove gives the good party vibe

#### FILMREVIEW

Directed by Greg Harrison Starring Mackenzie Firgens, Lola Glaudini, Denny Kirkwood, and Hamish Linklater Sony Pictures Classics

> Theo Buchinskas ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF

When I walked out of Groove, the first thing I thought was, "Man, I wish there was a party on tonight." Groove is about a rave, but it isn't about any one in particular. Instead, it documents a party experience for a number of different characters: the promoter, the first-timer, the experienced partier, the DJ and the dealer, to name a few. In the process, it manages to convey the party experience quite well. There are more than a few scenes that will be familiar to any partygoer, and anyone who decides to go to a rave because of this movie will quickly understand the inside jokes and scenes depicted.

The movie serves as a bit of a how-to guide for first time ravers. By presenting the viewer with the experience of a couple of first-timers, it manages to teach a few valuable lessons (for example, the fruit is free) that many of us could have used on our first outing. It also throws in some disclaimers. We are shown that raves aren't for everyone, by showing one minor character who decides to bail, and we are shown that it isn't all fun and games either, by depicting an overdose. As the dealer in the movie states, "If you're going to be a successful drug user, you have to be well informed."

At one point, a young woman runs into a friend with whom she toured Europe before they parted ways. When she asks the friend how school is going, she is told that her 'friend' graduated two years ago. While depicting this fun and energetic environment, director Greg Harrison also manages to point out how easy it is to loose yourself in a crowd and a scene, and the drawbacks inherent in this lifestyle choice.

Also worth noting is the lack of music. A movie with this much character development and dialogue can't have a lot of thumping beats, and you don't really miss it all that much. One hilarious scene, however, does depict the feeling of elation for a beginning DJ, when he actually pulls off a good mix.

While Groove does manage to portray the party experience quite well, it's a mediocre movie as the romances and other events are a little sappy, and the acting is fairly weak. I also doubt a 200 person party could attract a big-name DJ like John Digweed.

That aside, Groove is a film worth seeing if you are at all interested or involved in the rave party scene. It will provide every viewer with either a lesson or a laugh, and most everyone will feel like hitting a club when they step out of the theatre.

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# What you talkin' bout, Willis?

#### Introducing the most eccentric man in modern music

#### MINI-FEATURE

The Music of Wesley Willis www.wesleywillis.com

> Owen Livermore **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF**

Are you tired of the dull roar of pop music saturating your senses like a high school hallway in between classes? Do you hope and pray for something-anything-different to come along and cleanse your tired

If so, look no longer. The cure to your ailment lies with one man. He is a prophet. He is a poet. He is maximum rock and roll. He is Wesley Willis.

The 6-foot-5, 320-pound musician was at one time homeless. For years, Wesley could be found wandering the city of Chicago by foot or bus, relying on his extraordinarily detailed cityscape portraits to keep him afloat. In 1989, he began to hear voices and was eventually diagnosed with chronic schizophrenia. This did not hamper his creative impulses, however, and he expanded into songwriting in 1992.

He quickly gained the attention of Chicago guitarist Dale Meiners, who took Wesley in and introduced him to the indie music scene. Soon, Wesley would have an incredible cult following, with over 400 songs on at least 20 albums. The albums are cut in less than five hours, and feature songs like "Cut the Mullet," "Alanis Morissette," "I Whupped Batman's Ass" and "Taste A Panda's Ass."

The music itself is just as remarkable as the man is. Using an inexpensive set of synthesizer sounds and backbeats, Willis shapes his music to create a maelstrom of attitude, determined to rock the hell out of you. What keeps bringing you back is the lyrical content, which is at times stunning.

To demonstrate, here are the lyrics to "Rock and Roll McDonald's."

McDonald's is a place to rock It is a restaurant where they buy food to eat It is a good place to listen to the music People flock here to get down to the rock

Rock and Roll McDonald's (4x) McDonald's will make you fat They serve Big Macs They serve Quarter Pounders They will put pounds on you Rock and Roll McDonald's (4x) McDonald's hamburgers are the worst They are worse than Burger King A Big Mac has 26 grams of fat A Quarter Pounder has 28 grams of fat Rock and Roll McDonald's (4x)

He then signs off his songs with "Rock over London," "Rock on Chicago," and an unprovoked commercial endorsement, "Wheaties: Breakfast of Champions."

At first listen, the music is Bad with a capital B. This feeling may linger for a while. But labeling his songs bad would only be possible if there was anything else in the history of modern music to compare it to. The music transcends the limits of bad, breaking into new and exciting territory. Ed Wood is widely regarded as being the worst filmmaker of all time. One viewing of Plan 9 From Outer Space or Glen or Glenda might well confirm this. Yet Wood's films are still critically discussed and shown regularly. Why is this? Ed Wood is so bad, there is no point in anyone creating anything as awful. It's been done. The same process is at work with Willis. At the very least, he is a welcome diversion from the squeaky clean, digitally enhanced synchronized dance pablum that current dominates the music charts. He might even believe what he sings about, and that in itself is a beautiful thing.

# Bach to the future

#### EVENTPREVIEW

Bachfest 2000 21 to 24 September

Lane Arndt **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF** 

The music of JS Bach is regarded as the pinnacle of Baroque composition. His constructions possess a perfect balance of logic and beauty and laid the theoretical groundwork for most avant-garde of twentieth-century composers. But Bach's accomplishments were not always so highly revered.

Four hundred years ago, the Renaissance was giving way to the Baroque period which, a mere 150 years later, would give in to the Classical period. Each generation held the prior in a moderate contempt, developing new forms and styles in a reaction againstrather than in response to—the older style.

Bach was largely forgotten in the succeeding generations that comprised the Classical period. Much later, he was given a boost by folks like Mendelssohn and Schumann in the transition from the Classical to the Romantic period, and his star has remained illuminated ever since. But perhaps it has never shone as brightly as it does right now.

Books, theses, recording after recording, and special after retrospective special abounds. Depending on your media tastes—if you listen to CBC Radio Two during the day for example—Bach may seem as hot as Christina Aguilera. And why all the fuss you ask? Why not? It is, after all, the precisely 250 years since the brilliant composer's death.

Standing out in this season of all-things Bach is the U of A Music Department's

Bachfest 2000. For the remainder of this week, Edmonton plays host city for the National Organ Playing Competition.

The celebration of this anniversary stems from Bach's status as a master organist. His compositions for the instrument form the measure against which all organists must be judged.

If you prefer your organ playing without the threat of competition, the following three Bach-based events are running this week-

On 22 September at 8:00pm, Bach to Bashaw is playing at the West End Christian Reform Church. The program will feature Bach's Three Sonatas for Cello and Organ BWV 1027-29 played by Tanya Prochazka and Marnie Giesbrecht. These are mature works from the composer's time at Anhalt-Cothen, where he composed some of his most sublime instrumental pieces, including the unaccompanied cello suites and the Sonatas & Partitas for Solo Violin. The evening will also feature works by Jacobus Kloppers and the U of A's own Howard Bashaw.

At 8:00pm on 23 September, organist Jeffrey Campbell and the Robertson-Wesley Choir will perform the Leipzig Chorales under the direction of Stillman Matheson. The performance is at the Robertson Wesley United Church. These chorales represent one of Bach's major triumphs. They are midlife works, which he extensively revised in the last ailing years of his life.

Sunday promises a concert that should educate as much as it entertains. Kimberly Marshall presents The Life and Times of JS Bach, a program that features Bach as well as early contemporaries Buxtehude and Nicolas de Grigny, and forebearer Girolamo Frescobaldi. The event will be at Convocation Hall at 3:00pm.

#### SITE UNSEEN



www.fugly.com

Chris Boutet

Have you ever seen a woman step on a man's testicles ... repeatedly? You will, if you work up the nerve to visit this site. A huge hit amongst last year's *Gateway* staff, it boasts a wide variety of images and movies of the most disgusting, creepy and morbidly interesting crap you've ever seen.

You want a couple "don't miss" movies? Pinky is an SPCA adoption video for a "very loving cat" that turns out to be completely insane and tries desperately to hurt the poor bastard on the other end of the leash.

In the "Really Sick" department you can check out a video aptly titled Fucking Stop Already, which involves a lady eating something you should probably just see for yourself. Or perhaps not.

It's totally abhorrent and/or revolting stuff, but it gets worse. I was glad to see that the films were segregated into groups depending on their severity, so really only you are to blame if you see them. So why not check it out? I know I'd rather be watching a New England town blow up a beached whale than The Price is Right.

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The "awesome dual slide" is an inflatable monstrosity replicating the sinking Titanic. The giant amusement, which is "fun for kids as well as adults" is suppossed to replicate all the "thrills" of sliding off a submerging death trap towards an icy horrific death in the cold, dark waters of the Atlantic, except with more fun.

The whole family can enjoy the climb up through the inside of the inflatable hull and then slide down either of the inflatable deck into an inflatable ocean without once ever stopping to consider the tradegy that befell the real passengers and crew.

Apparently the crass commercial ripple-effect of the blockbuster film is still being felt. What wacky tradgedies will they capitalize on next? Hindenberg balloon rides? Jonestown Kool-Aid parties? How about Columbine paintball wars?

The Titanic Super Slide is a titanic-sized bad idea.

It's sure to be a big hit amongst all those who yearn to relive the glamour and adventure of dying at sea.



Willie and Lobo Siete Narada Productions www.willieandlobo.com

Jeremy Hrynkiw

It's too bad that Willie and Lobo have nothing to do with the Littlest Hobo. That aside, this CD is a collection of flamenco tunes with collaborating musicians from Cuba, the Caribbean, and Mexico.

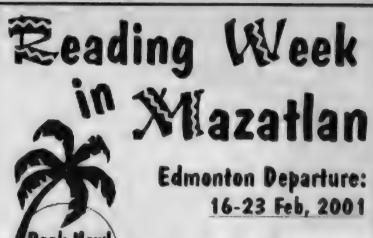
Now, for a guy whose only real flamenco exposure comes from a stolen Oscar Lopez tape (long story), this disc was a challenge to review. It starts off with the fast-paced "Seven Veils," a traditional barrage of trilling guitars, and manic percussion.

It was enough to make me feel as sexy as Antonio Banderas washing dishes, and that's pretty damn sexy. However, after the first track, the songs take on a decidedly more jazzy feel which may put you in too mellow of a mood.

The slower tempos and loungier tones didn't really do it for me. The album picks up a bit on the tracks "Pacifico" and "Old Molina's Tango," but on the whole, it lacks the feeling of urgency and intensity that I dig in flamenco music.

Considering I know as much about flamenco music as Robert Downy Jr knows about the straight and narrow, you can be the judge.

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#### Iain Ilich

The second release from Calgary's Zuckerbaby is a beautiful explosion of pop/rock catchiness. The combination of rock, on tracks like "Overexposure," with the pop stylings of "Blindside," make this a well-balanced album that should give Zuckerbaby more exposure in Canada and abroad.

While the first four tracks are more prone to commercial pop success than the rest, the songs on this disc might just be a bit too well written for the discriminating tastes of a Britney Spears fan. If you like intelligently written pop, then you might like Zuckerbaby, but be warned in advance: I've been humming several tracks from the first time I heard them, and still can't stop. Good sign? You decide.



Ruff Endz Love Crimes Epic Records www.ruffendz.com

#### Vanessa McLeod ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT STAFF

Ruff Endz is preparing to stake their claim in the over-saturated market of R&B.

Their debut album, Love Crimes, contains a variety of club-friendly joints and slow jams. What makes this Baltimore-based duo different from most other R&B acts is that their strength lies in slow, simply produced ballads rather than in upbeat dance songs.

One refreshing aspect about this album is that it contains no intros, outros or interludes, but rather entertains with 65 minutes of uninterrupted music to sooth the savage beast.

Listeners beware: there is nothing "ruff" about this duo's debut, rather it's all silky-smooth good-



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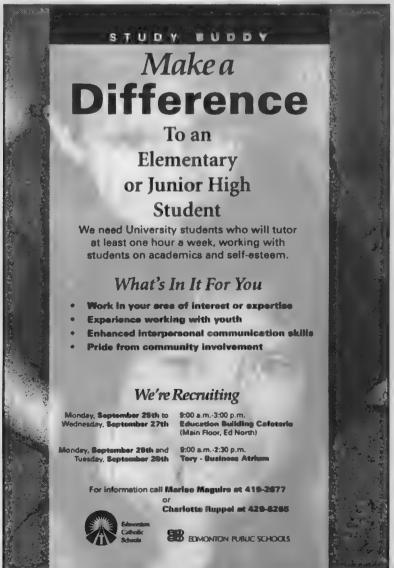
Jon Dunbar Arts & Ententainment Staff

Welcome to Karma County, population: you.

Looking at this album cover, you might be fooled into thinking this CD is some sort of Hindu album. What flying carpets, karma, and wonky East Indian imagery have to do with an Australian rock band is beyond me.

There's just something about the name Karma County that makes me get that dreadful Karma Chameleon song by the Culture Club stuck in my head. It's a bad sign when you listen to a CD, and end up getting a completely unrelated song running amok in your brain.

I still haven't reached Nirvana, and I don't think listening to anymore of the album will help.





#### CJSR's Top 20 for 20 September 2000

- 1 De la Soul Art Official Intelligence: Mosaic Thump (Tommy Boy)
- 2 Big Sandy & his Fly-Rite Boys: Night Tide (Hightone)
- 3 Morcheeba: Fragments of Freedom (Sire)
- 4 Belle & Sebastian: Fold your Hands Child ... (Matador)
- 5 Dave Alvin: Public Domain (Hightone)
- 6 Gluecifer: Tender is the Savage (Sub Pop)
- 7 The Olivia Tremor Control: Singles & Beyond (Emperor Norton-Kindercore)
- 8 Various: Down to the Promised Land (Bloodshot)
- 9 The Black Heart Procession: 3 (Touch & Go)
- 10 The Buttless Chaps: Tumblewire (ind.)
- 11 Chixdiggit: From Scene to Shining Scene (Honest Don's)
- 12 Duster: Contemporary Movement (Up)
- 13 The Brewtals: S/t (ind.)
- 14 Ladytron: Commodore Rock (Invicta Hi Fi)
- 15 Sally Timms & Jon Langford: Songs of False Hope & High Values (Bloodshot)
- 16 Lord Invader: Calypso in New York (Smithsonian Folkways)
- 17 Chris Mills: Kiss it Goodbye (Sugar Free)
- 18 Arturo O'Farrill: A Night in Tunisia (32 Jazz)
- 19 Couch: Fantasy (Matador)
- 20 Mean Red Spiders: Stars and Sons (Teenage USA)

Edmonton, like most cities, is inundated with loud, obnoxious commercial radio stations. Each targets the elusive 14-to-35 year-old demographic, claiming to have the hottest and newest music.

In fact, most of the music they play consists of nothing but recycled bass lines and pop tunes of the '70s & '80s. Some stations do push the limit of commercial radio by featuring new and sometimes local music, but in the end, there are always the Top-40 tunes that everyone "wants" to hear.

It's disappointing that the hits rule the radio. Don't get me wrong: I understand that the bastions of society require a catchy, recognizable tune to which they can tap their toes and bang their heads, but rarely do commercial radio stations ever push the listener to find new sounds. It's actually bad business sense for them to challenge listeners to think for themselves.

Since we have such a diverse mix of people around us, by having people think for themselves, each will eventually develop their own favourites bands and songs and slowly, they will leave their favourite radio station to tune in more often to their tape decks, CD players, and MP3s.

CJSR fights stagnation. It keeps the mind active and alive, and you never know what will happen after the next song. Maybe they'll play your favourite song from when you were young, or you'll hear what will become your next favourite song, or maybe there won't even be another song. You just don't

Campus radio succeeds where commercial radio doesn't. CJSR listeners have to listen actively. They think about what's being played, get involved with what they hear, and sometimes get involved with the station. As a volunteer organisation, the entire broadcast content of CJSR, even the commercials, are created and produced by a diverse group of volunteers with diverse tastes.

CJSR listeners do not get brainwashed the same way Top-40 listeners do. They learn how to open up their eyes and their ears.

Top-40 radio in Edmonton is nearly identical to Top-40 in most other North American cities, so it is doubtful that a Calgarian would want to listen to Power 92 over the Internet, when the Calgarian franchise Power 107 provides the same content. Because of this universal dissemination, Top-40 commercial radio can only exist locally, whereas community radio may expand indefi-

CJSR breeds thinkers, not consumers. When you listen to commercial radio, you're backing yourself into a corner, and as soon as your back's against the wall, you'll find that there's nothing else to listen to. Except for CJSR.

Maybe I'm being a bit idealistic in projecting the downfall of commercial radio, but I do advocate any radio or magazine that pushes the edge of the musical envelope. Here's a little trick you can try on your own. Visit the Ultimate Band List at ubl.com and, at random, pick a letter. There are thousands, if not millions, of bands out there. Go exploring!

> Jamie Montgomery Transmission 9:30pm | Fridays

I will admit that, as much as I enjoy the music, it isn't for everyone; some people think that it is just noise. But I feel that people should be exposed to this music, so that is why I do the show. My purpose isn't to entertain—it is to expose the listener to something new, to challenge them, and to make them think about the nature of music.

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Dale Shekoolie Welcome to Julie 11:00am | Friday, 15 September

#### Chicken soup for the Canadian country fan's soul

#### Me and Stompin' Tom

I'm not ashamed to admit I sometimes listen to country music. Just the old school stuff though, not that crap they play on the radio. Generally, a good country singer is a dead country singer. The single exception being Stompin' Tom Connors, the Canadian country singer known for stomping through a plywood board in concert. Stompin' Tom I have respect for, both for his music and for his good character. And then there's the CJSR incident.

About two years ago, I was doing a late night radio programme, and unbeknownst to me, there was a Stompin' Tom show the next day, and Stompin' Tom Connors and his band were on a radio rampage. I received a request for some Stompin' Tom early in my show.

Now, I'm not the world's greatest DJ when it comes to playing requests, but I promised this guy I'd find some Stompin' Tom. I mean, Bud the Spud, who couldn't resist?

However, I couldn't find any Stompin' Tom in the music library, so I gradually forgot about it. Soon, the guy called back and made the same request. I told him I was looking for it, and felt a little frustrated at not being able to find a record of what was at the time the only country singer I liked.

So the guy called back a third time and levelled with me. He told me he was Stompin' Tom's bassist, and he knew for a fact that Stompin' Tom was listening to me.

A couple minutes later, I realised that Stompin' Tom was filed under "S" for Stompin', rather than "C" for Connors. I put on the record and played two songs back to back.

The guy called in again, and told me, "There's someone who wants to talk to you." Those eight words changed my life.

He handed the phone to a guy with a gravelly voice who was really, really drunk. "Hello. How the fuck are you doing?" he asked me.

"Is this who I think it is?" I asked him.

"How the fuck are you doing?" he repeated. Sure, he was plastered, but to me he had all the presence that John Wayne had in his movies, only with more alcohol. Much more alcohol.

"The question is, sir, how the fuck are you?" I asked him, desperately thinking to think of a witty reply. "It's three in the morning, and you have a show to do tomor-

"How the fuck are you doing?" he repeated. And so on.

The next day, I told Daryl Richel, the programme manager, what had happened. "It was probably just a prank," he told

However, that night, at the Stompin' Tom concert, Stompin' Tom gave an unforgettable speech about Edmonton radio. He announced that he had called every radio station in Edmonton, and the only one that had played any of his records was CJSR. He decried commercial radio and praised campus radio stations across the nation, all thanks to my barely adequate understanding of the concept of alphabetical

The next time Stompin' Tom passes through town, I'm going to make sure there's a convenient stack of Stompin' Tom records at hand in the on-air booth.

Jon Dunbar

#### The sun never sets on CJSR

Last October, CJSR set up shop in the Global Village and installed an online QuickTime Streaming Media Server. Since then, "the little station that could" has been accessed by listeners from around the world.

Specifically, www.cjsr.com was hit by 262 930 visitors since December 1999, coming from a total of 40 countries, including Australia, Sweden, Argentina, Cyprus, India, Kenya, and the United Arab Emirates.

On New Year's 2000, I hosted a radio show from 1:00am to 6:00am, and I received a phone call from a listener in Norway. And that's just the one guy who called in. Who knows how many other people were listening to me in Norway, or for that matter, in Mauritia, or Sikkim, or even in the Malagasy Republic? Basically, everywhere where there is Internet, there is

There are 456 976 permutations on radio station call letters like CJSR, and I'm sure the number of radio stations worldwide is larger than that. In Canada alone, there are 34 college stations. It often makes me wonder how people find their way to our station from the other side of the world.

I know the secret. It's all in the listeners. Somehow, CJSR molds its listeners into the shock troops of

alternative radio. It even happened to me.

There is a giant store of information at CJSR, almost an overwhelming amount. The music library contains music that most Canadians have never heard of. The library has an anti-Top-40 sentiment to it, and sections are organised based on genre and on language. You can't walk through it without discovering something frightening, new, and wonderful.

When CJSR listeners go out into the world, they bring CJSR with them. They visit other campus stations, they share thoughts, music, and advice, and basically act as emissaries. You never see Top 40 listeners going to Calgary and preaching the gospels of Power 92, because they have Power 107 there. Because of this co-ordinated marketing strategy, Top-40 commercial radio can only exist locally, whereas community radio may expand indefinitely.

In the infinite snowfall of independent radio stations, no two

At last year's FunDrive, we had donations coming in from as far as New York. The year we establish a city on the Moon, someone will call Earth to make a donation to CJSR.

Jon Dunbar







Clockwork Orange Juice host Kevin Moose bears a remarkable resemblance to CJSR news director Kevin Wilson.

#### **Emmett**

By the age of ten, Mozart had already written 22 symphonies. But Mozart wasn't yet on the radio. Tenyear-old Emmett Gorman beats Mozart on that count.

The youthful radiocaster is most known for his weekly appearance on the Wednesday morning show Clockwork Orange Juice, usually a bit before 8 AM. He also occasionally shows up in the studio, especially during special events, including last year's FunDrive, and he was on board last week when the DJs took a chartered ETS bus on a ride around the city.

On air, Emmett talks mostly about his life and his school assignments. The DJs, Kevin and Mark Moose, often give him short questionnaires to give to his classmates, usually with questions like "What is your favourite TV show?" or "What are the three things you'd bring to a desert?"

"[My classmates] think it's pretty cool when I come in wearing CJSR T-shirts and giving out prizes," says Emmett.

About his radio celebritydom, Emmett plays it cool. "He doesn't really talk about it a lot at school, except when he does questionnaires," says Emmett's mom. Still, despite his modesty, Emmett seems to have invitations to parties almost every weekend.

Emmett started his radio career almost two years ago, when he began calling in regularly to Clockwork Orange Juice to request songs for his father to hear on the way to work. His father used to volunteer at CJSR before Emmett was born, and they used to live in the same building with Mark Moose.

On CJSR's reputation as an unpredictable medium, from a parent's perspective, Emmett's mother says, "Emmett's familiar with those swear words, and we've dealt with it. He understands that it's directed more towards the University students. We've always taken the approach of it being an independent style radio station."

When asked if he had plans to start a radio show of his own, Emmett replied, "Maybe when I'm older I might."

Emmett can be heard along with a variety of features and sketches, including Daryl Richel's popular Redbike Bike Traffic Report, and call-ins from a number of guest speakers including Dr Teflon, sports commentator Big Dougie Tokaryk, and many more.

Jon Dunbar Clockwork Orange Juice 7:00am | Wednesdays



Dean Simmons / THE GATEWAY



# Between the Earth and Sky

The mainstream media at times portray my people as perpetrators or terrorists. Reports are peppered with racism, stereotypes and misunderstanding. Some news reporters can not decide whether to call us "Indians," "Natives" or "First Nations."

I felt frustrated with how my "stories" were not being fully told. CJSR gave me an opportunity to report on native news. There is a lot happening in "Indian" country that the mainstream news disregards. This isn't always true, but Native people can report on their own stories with more insight and understanding than most nonnatives would care to. Natives usually feel more comfortable talking to a Native reporter than a non-Native, so the story can be more in depth.

CJSR is the only station in Edmonton that has an aboriginal show. In Alberta, there is the CFWE, an all-aboriginal radio station, but it only airs on the reserves.

We had the Spirit Woman Singers on the show a few times. They are a group of mixed aboriginal descent that sings locally. At CJSR, the on-air booth is an old bank vault. Four women held hand drums and sang in a small space. Their voices and drumming were so loud that the control board and mic stands were vibrating. It is a powerful experience to hear traditional Native women singing live in the on-air booth.

Jeari Czapla is a local Native jazz artist who performed one song live. He played his guitar and sang a song dedicated to his mother. It was intimate and touching to see him sing from his heart.

I also have had local non-native artists on the show, like local bluegrass group the Chicken Snails. One of the players brought his stand-up bass, and it nearly touched the ceiling of the on-air booth. When he was excited, he stood on his base and plucked the strings wildly.

One of the catch phrases for Between the Earth and Sky is "where everyone is native." I play traditional music from around the world.

Tina La Pratt
IndigeNews and
Between the Earth and Sky
9:05am | Mondays



Tiffany Brown-Olson, hardcore CJSR newsie.



The Shadow hosts *The Eclipse* on Wednesdays at 3:00pm.

#### Best of the Weekend Rock Report

# A mystery date with a mullet

The term "mullet" is said to have originally been coined by Beastie Boy Mike D in *Grand Royal* magazine. It is also adoringly known as Hockey Hair, the Ape Drape, Soccer Rocker, the Schlong (short in the front, long in the back), the Long Island Iced Tease, the Mud-Flap, the Canadian Passport, the Kentucky Waterfall, Yep-Nope, the Beaver Paddle, the El Camino (not car, not truck), and, perhaps my favorite, Business in the Front, Party in the Back. Call it what you want, I just call it hot.

Class 4 mullet: can be kinky, spiky, curly, or straight, but always short on the top, long in the back.

Class 2 mullet: one who sports a

Some people hate the mullet, others ridicule the mullet, but I decided to embrace the mullet, if only for an evening.

My quest for a mullet began about two weeks ago when I was asked to do a series of Weekend Rock Reports for *That's Your Boyfriend*. It was at this time that I realized that, although I'm a pretty rockin' chic, I wasn't a true rocker because I had never dated a mullet.

I searched Edmonton high and low but, to my despair, found that

most of the mullets I met were actually pseudo-mullets. I had just about given up hope, when it came to me as I drowned my mulletful woes in a pint at the Black Dog. I found the following ad in a local rag:

Rocker Dude seeks Rocker Chic for General Mayhem. Concerts, laser light shows, pyrotechnics, anything goes. 28, 6'3", 195 pounds. LONG HAIR, SHORT ON THE TOP. Attractive, Intelligent, Good Natured and Rockin'. NO POSERS PLEASE... ONLY THE SERIOUS NEED APPLY.

Could it be? My dream mullet? And here in the City of Champions? I dashed home and called him up. His name was Damien Fox and we agreed to meet at the Sweet Rocks pub on Saturday Night.

Saturday Night, looking like Joan Jett and feeling hell-bent for leather, I arrived at Sweet Rocks just in time to see a cherry red Gremlin pull into the lot from my booth-side window.

He stepped out, long, lanky, and lewd. He was wearing a two-tone black-on-white Judas Priest concert shirt, tight black jeans, and Reebok Pumps. This guy was good to go. And the mullet—you've never seen such a beautiful schlong of hair.

He came into the bar and I waved. After introductions, he sat down and pulled a pack of Green Death out of his back pocket.

This guy was for real. He pulled a cigarette towards his mouth with nicotine-stained fingers and I followed with my Playboy bunny lighter.

"Nice jeans," he said, as he

exhaled through his nose, "they're classic."

We ordered drinks. His, a Jack Daniels, mine, a gin and tonic. He smiled at me sheepishly as I ordered, I smiled at him. The typical conversation ensued: crotchrockets, muscle-cars, tattoos, guitars, and the infinite wisdom and musical prowess of Metallica. Then, noticing that Sweet Rocks wasn't quite rockin', we headed to the Thunderdome, the only place in town with a decent laser light show.

The Thunderdome was pumping out fistfuls of rock, as usual, but the most defining moment of the night was when the smoke-machines started doing double-time, the video-screens dropped, the lights went a go-go, the crowd went wild, the DJ dished out a healthy serving of "Thunderstruck," and we really started kickin' it. I couldn't have asked for a better evening.

That being said, I don't think I'll be seeing Damien again. When he dropped me off, he explained that, although he really enjoyed playing lead guitar in Crüeless, a local Motley Crüe cover band, he needed some cold-hard cash, which meant he needed a real job, which meant that he had to get rid of his party in the back, so to speak.

I felt as though I had been rode hard and put away wet.

Damien Fox, you now have the esteemed honour of leaving a bad taste of mullet in my mouth. You're gonna burn in hell.

Kim Steele
That's Your Boyfriend
8:05am | Mondays



Kim Steele, Weekend Rock Reporter extraordinaire.



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# TO UNIVERSITY AND BEYOND: a look back







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#### A message from the volunteer coordinator

**Dear Orientation Volunteers:** 

WOW! WE DID IT! It's hard to believe that this project 10 months in the making is finally finished. Give it another month and plans for Orientation 2001 will be well underway!

But before we get started on that...! want to send out a big thank you and a hug to everyone who volunteered for Orientation 2000.

November 3, 1999 was my first day as Volunteer Coordinator. It's hard to believe how much time flies, when you're having fun (I mean that sincerely). As a previous OL, TF and Presenter, this position as Volunteer Coordinator was the only one left to tackle. It has honestly been a completely different experience from this side of the fence.

My first task was to recruit TF's. The Team Facilitators (aren't they a great bunch) signed on to this roller coaster ride in early January. The TF's were not only helpful in assisting in recruitment but they were always willing to provide input and direction for the program. TF's, I've said it before and will say it again, you are my left and right hands and you have given so much to this program. So much, that some of you decided to give me a small heart attack with fake resignations on April Fool's Day, spearheaded by CD. I have a long memory and I'm not finished with you yet...

After the TF's were in place, it came time to recruit the OL's. Did applications for OL's ever come out in droves! This year we had a record number of applications. After scores of group interviews and personal interviews, the Orientation team was in place.

As school ended and summer began, it was hard to believe that already half of the year was gone and that Orientation would soon be here. SOAP, Parent Orientation and phoneouts dominated the summer. Again, thanks to those of you who were able to do the phoning, give tours to parents, help new students plan their timetables. Another highlight of the summer was TF training out at Battle Lake. For three days, the TF's worked on sessions and projects and had a lot of fun. And then we got into the big stuff, OL training and the Big Event!

TF's, it has been my pleasure and honour to work with you. Each of you possesses unique qualities that were evident throughout Orientation. You 27 terrific people, showed up all year and throughout the summer and put forth 110% at all times and for that I cannot thank you enough. Reflecting on my time spent with you all, I have come to realize what a team you became. Thanks for letting me be the captain! Things I will never forget: Nicole's bridal shower, Charlene's ice cream cake, the drive out to TF training, the 'mouse', losing at trivial pursuit, being wrapped in the parachute, Cory's Roughrider jersey from gr. 6, the hamster dance, broken-down golf carts, driving you all in the 15 passenger van through the torrential downpour, and last but not least the amazing way you all stuck together to get the job done!

OL's, it has been my pleasure to get to know you and see your smiley faces around the office. Thanks for the fun postcards and the visits. Your spirit and pride in the U of A, was certainly evident to the new students and I am so proud to associate with you. Kudos especially to the M/T OL's for being such great leaders of TUBA on Monday. Thank you for helping with the phoneouts, kit stuffing, and all the office work we had to do in the last week before Orientation, you were our saving graces.

Hand volunteers—there are too many to name but you know who you are. You stepped in and filled huge roles. THANK YOU!

Mike Chow, thanks for all of your help with the slideshow!
Chris, Scott, Katherine— you deserve a world of thanks too. Working with you has been an absolute

Jennifer Wanke, Mike Zimmerman—00 WOW! What a great week kids!!

Last but not least, some other highlights: team themes—were amazing and delightfully creative, Team Cheers—what innovation (or should I say repetition, Nursing?), Jim's magic show in Quad, duct tape, my beautifully written speech, my heroes, Matt's standing '5', Team 160's photo, the Fac Pac, the hugs and enthusiasm from each and every one of you and finally the President's Address. What a way to end Orientation! I will never forget that moment as long as I live. So, now that I've rambled for awhile and probably forgotten other fun things, just know I've got them in my memory somewhere. And for those of you who I have not personally thanked (M&D), you know who you are and what a difference you made to this event.

I guess to sum it all up, it has been fun! I hope you, the volunteers, realize that the huge success of this program is all because of your contributions. Your dedication, hard work and let's not forget that infectious enthusiasm were the driving force behind To University and Beyond! Like the steamrollers we all became, we took those speed bumps at normal speed and kept on going! It was truly, GOOD TIMES (Greg)!

Good luck in your academic and life pursuits and we'll see you on the 23rd! Keep the Green and Gold Pride Alive

Sandra Pysklywyc Orientation 2000 Volunteer Coordinator

P.S. I know you can't see me, but right now I am giving you a standing 'O'!



#### The first day of the rest of your degree

If you're new to the U, WELCOME! I hope your stay here so far has been an enjoyable one. I hope you all enjoyed Orientation and are looking forward to an amazing year.

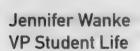
The University of Alberta offers a lot of amazing things, from great teaching to endless opportunities for you to get involved in. Take some time to check out some of the extra–curricular activities that surround you on campus. There are over 250 clubs you can join and many volunteer opportunities.

My job as the Vice President Student Life is to make sure that your University life doesn't stop with textbooks, exams and assignments. The Students' Union hosts many programs throughout the year, you've just seen two of them: Orientation and Week Of Welcome. I hope you all had a chance to try out Entrapment and Survivor in James Bond style in Quad, get dolled up for the Shaken Not Stirred Martini Night at the Power Plant, catch a few of the amazing bands or kick back during the Sleeping Bag Drive–In. If you missed all of this, do not daze off in sadness, all is not lost, there is more to come—much much more. We have programs planned all year to entertain and amuse. If you want to get involved, that's not only allowed but also encouraged. All you have to do is come by the Students' Union Building and let us know, send us an e-mail or give us a call and we'll hook you up! Keep your eyes open for the Inner City Kids Christmas Party, Antifreeze and the Campus3 Party, these are just a few of the events coming your way over the next year.

University is an interesting place. Some days will be good, some will be not so good, however, after four years you'll look back at you days on campus and wish you weren't leaving. You'll make new friends, you'll learn new things, but most importantly you're going to be left with memories that will make you laugh, smile and remember the good old days. It all starts now. Get involved.

The best advice that I can give you is, leave you mark. Make campus your own. Meet people, work hard and play hard, but most importantly enjoy! Your time

here will fly by, make the most of it. If you see something you want to do, or something you want to try, go and do it. Orientation is over, but it marks the beginning of the year and all that is to follow. I wish you all the best, I hope you all have an amazing year. Get the most out of you're experience here. Have fun.







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# Orientation memories...











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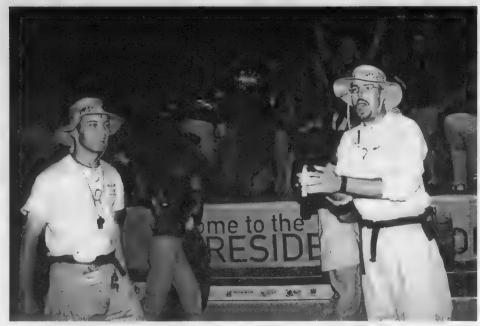
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- Provides tours of campus to anyone who is interested: potential students, alumni, foreign visitors, dignitaries
- · Also helps out with many major events that go on here at the University of Alberta such as Preview Days and International Week

#### **Information Registries**

- Provides students with the Exam Registry, Housing Registry, Tutor Registry, Typist Registry and the Used Book Registry
- · We also provide a Ride Board to find/offer rides all over Canada, and the Information Desks which can be used for any questions a person may have
- · At the SUB desk we also have a Ticketmaster outlet, and we also take classified ads for The Gateway through our main office at 030-A SUB

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- · Provides men and women on campus with a safe alternative to walking home alone after dark
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#### **Student Distress Centre**

- Operated by professionally-trained volunteers
- · Crisis intervention, confidential peer counseling, and general information about campus and
- · Academic and personal peer counseling, completely confidential
- · Volunteers are all trained by the Edmonton Distress Line

#### **Student Groups**

- · Office spaces in basement of SUB will be allotted in April for clubs which show the greatest
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#### Office of the Dean of Students (DoS)

- Student rights and advocacy
- Referrals to appropriate services
- Overall management of services
- Funding requests from students for university-related projects (i.e. Conferences)

#### **Academic Support Centre (ASC)**

- Non-credit classes, workshops, and tutorials covering effective writing, study skills, time management, exam and paper preparation
- · Learning Resources Program
- Effective Writing Resources
- · One-on-one tutorial programs

#### Career and Placement Services (CaPS)

- · In-class presentations, group workshops and individual consultations for career planning,
- work search, resume and cover letter writing, and job interviews
- Career fairs and career forums
- · Bus tours to individual businesses
- · Career planning resource library
- Internet resource centre
- Volunteer Opportunities

#### **Native Student Services (NSS)**

- Transition Year Program to aid first-year native students on campus
- Community relations and liaison
- Student academic advising, advocacy and orientation to campus life
- Retention Services and Strategies
- Computer lab and study hall
- Meditation Room for traditional ceremonies

#### Sexual Assault Centre (SAC)

- Crisis intervention and confidential assistance for both women and men
- Short-term counselling and referrals
- · Support group for survivors of acquaintance sexual assault
- Sexual assault awareness education programs (both on and off campus)
- Volunteer Opportunities

#### Specialized Support and Disability Services (SSDS)

- Assistance for students with physical, sensory and learning disabilities, health problems and injuries
- Adapted computer technology lab and training
- Exam assistance
- Note-taking assistance
- Campus access assistance Disability awareness liaison
- Staff disability services
- Volunteer Opportunities

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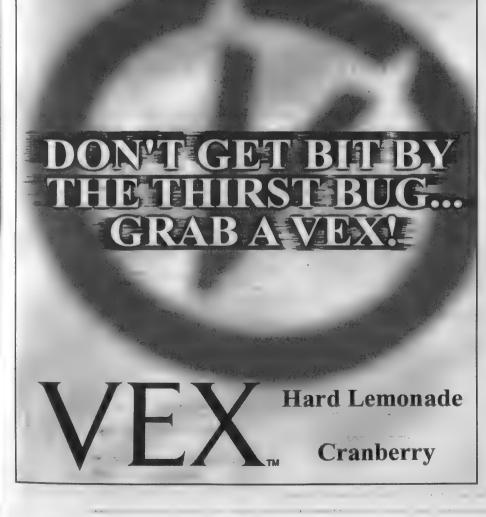
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- Mediation services for students and instructors
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- Building community through retreats, meals, education, social events and volunteer action



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#### Props from the communication coordinator

It is hard to believe that the program we've spent the last eight months working on is done and over with. I must say that until this year I had not previously experienced Orientation at the University of Alberta and now as I enter my final year I feel as though I have missed out on something extraordinary.

One of the best parts of my job was working with the student volunteers who put together the sessions on Academics and Student Life. At first this seemed like a daunting task, but the volunteer's willingness to sacrifice numerous weekends through out the summer as well as their enthusiasm about the presentations made the whole experience very enjoyable.

In addition to the actual presenters, whom I will thank in just a moment, I would also like to extend a huge Orientation thank-you to a number of volunteers who went above and beyond what was required of them. Thank-you to those who participated in the recording of some presentation videos, I won't name you all but you know who you are.

To the presenters I would like to extend my sincerest thanks. Some of you worked very hard over the summer to develop these presentations, and others joined us closer to the end of the summer and I appreciate their hard work as well. In addition to developing these presentations, some of you spent long hours at the Orientation office insuring that all the materials were ready to go for the two days. You all deserve so much more than this article in the Gateway, so the Students Union has agreed to pay you all 250.00 dollars (that is a joke, just to get the SU executives hearts pumping a little faster). Seriously, you guys/gals did a kick-ass job, and should be proud of what you were able to accomplish.

I hope to see you all at the Volunteer Party on September 23, or at least in the hallways. Have a great year, and we'll see you at Orientation 2001.

Chris Robb Orientation 2000 Communications Coordinator









#### **Orientation Challenge**

So what exactly is the "Beyond" in this years Orientation slogan, "To University and Beyond"? Some, especially those that walked away with prizes, may argue that the "Beyond" was a reference to all of to all of the free stuff that was given away during the two days of Orientation. If the wealth of pride and knowledge gained towards the University of Alberta wasn't the most thrilling part of Orientation for you it may have been the thousands of dollars in prizes that were given away.

"Orientation Challenge" was a two day long competition between New Student Teams that demanded creativity, participation, knowledge, and the thrill of competition. Teams had a task to complete at each Orientation event which would earn them points towards their "Orientation Challenge" Totals. The prizes offered were generously donated by Playdium in West Edmonton Mall; each student on the winning teams will receive:

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Third Place

Team 124

- PlayerOne card

Second Place

Team 160

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(with their Sandra Rules Photo)

First Place

Team 131

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Students who attended Orientation were also given ballets at each session which they could put towards prizes that were given away at the Presidents Address at Hawerlak Park. The winners seen received the following prizes:

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# Field hockey team limps into Calgary

Pandas optimistic and confident despite rash of injuries and poor schedule

Bryan Lee

Before even setting foot in Calgary this weekend for the first Canada West tournament of the year, the Pandas field hockey team is already going to be at a disadvantage.

As a result of their third place Canada West finish last year, the team will be forced to play the defending CIAU champion UBC Thunderbirds and the runner-up UVic Vikes on the same Saturday.

"I would say we have the worst draw," exclaimed head coach Dru exclaimed. "But that's the lay of the land, so there's not much you can do about it. It's not a great schedule for us, but to play them on the same day is good practice for us. It's going to be a really good test."

The Pandas, however, aren't about to back down from a little competition.

"They've got to play us too," Marshall quickly reminded. "We're a young team, but I think we're going to fare quite well."

"We always give them a good run for their money and I can't expect it being any different this year," second-year forward Nicole Perry commented.



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Despite a run of bad luck, the Pandas are ready for the first Canada West tournament this weekend in Calgary.

An even greater concern for the Pandas is the high number of injuries the team is dealing with. Fifth-year defender Annabel Duncan-Webb has a sore shoulder, third-year forward Tia Thomson has a shin problem, and both defender Natalie Kubok and Perry are plagued with back injuries.

"We're limping into Calgary,"
Marshall said. "But I hope that
[we've got some quick healers] and
that they'll be ready to go by the
end of the week."

The Pandas are fortunate enough to play the Manitoba Bisons first

on Friday. They hope to gain some momentum against the inexperienced Bisons before their tough day on Saturday and playing the host Calgary Dinosaurs on Sunday. The team also hopes that preparation will help them overcome the difficult schedule and nagging injuries.

"We're looking at our breakout patterns out of the back. That's going to be really, really key for us this next weekend because we don't want to get hemmed in in our own backfield," Marshall explained.

"Things like our penalty corner

attack and defence will also be pretty critical. So we've got some really specific things that we're doing this week to put those pieces in place," she said.

The Pandas will have their work cut out for them, but even to get a tie against either of the BC powerhouses would be a big confidence booster and could go a long way later in the season.

"We have some good rookies coming in, as well as some experienced players, so overall, I think it's going to be a very positive experience," Perry remarked.

#### Sports in Brief

The Golden Bears football team is off to UBC, where they will try to add a win to their disappointing 0-2-1 record. The Bears went 0-2 against UBC last season. On the injured list is slotback Hardeep Bamara, kicker Mark Wojchichowsky and Mark Owens. You can catch the game live with Bob Stauffer's playby-play on CJSR (FM88.5) starting at 7:00pm.

#### Bears hockey

The Bears hockey troupe travels to Saskatoon this weekend for the Huskie Hockey Classic. They will hit the ice against Brandon, Regina and Manitoba.

#### Pandas Hockey

The Pandas hockey team plays at the Clare Drake in exhibition against the Griffins of the NWHC and the Midget Rebels. Games start at 8:00pm Friday and 6:00pm Saturday.

#### Pandas soccer

The Pandas soccer team is playing host to the UBC Thunderbirds on Saturday at noon and Victoria on Sunday at noon. Last week they fell 1-0 to Calgary before shutting down Lethbridge 7-1. Tracy Beechy was the heroine of Saturday's game, netting two.

#### Bears soccer

The Bears soccer team starts its regular home season this weekend by taking on UBC and Victoria. They lost to Calgary 3-1 last Saturday before squeaking by Lethbridge 1-0. There are eleven rookies on the Bear roster.

#### Athlete of the week

The athlete of the week goes to football Bear Marc Bennett, who had 286 all-purpose yards in a losing cause against Regina last weekend. He set the season high in both receptions (12) and receiving yards (181). He also returned two punts for 21 yards and three kickoffs for 84 yards. The five-foot-eight, 165lb receiver is in the Dentistry program. Bennett is from Sherwood Park.

#### Sports quote for the day

"Serious sport has nothing to do with fair play. It is bound up with hatred, jealousy, boastfulness, disregard of all rules and sadistic pleasure in witnessing violence. In other words, it's war minus the shooting."

-- George Orwell

#### Sports trivia

Gordie Howe has played the most NHL ice hockey games of any player, skating in a record 1767 regular season bouts spanning 26 professional seasons.

# Hockey squad sizing up competition at Huskie Classic



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The U of A Golden Bears compete this weekend as invites at the Huskie Hockey Classic in Saskatoon.

#### **Barrie Tanner**

The Bears will be heading to Saskatoon this weekend, sporting an invitation to the Huskie Hockey Classic, where teams from across Western Canada will get a preview of this season's competition.

The three-day modified round robin tournament features six Canada West teams, excluding only Calgary's Dinos and the UBC Thunderbirds. The team with the best overall record will be declared the tournament champion. The Lethbridge Pronghorns are defending champions, having gone undefeated in the 1999/00 round.

"It's a good chance to see what the rest of the competition will be like this year," said Bear Mike Garrow.

And for a team that has been limited to such opponents as Grant MacEwan and Concordia College (the Bears beat each of them 15-0 and 5-1, respectively), that's an opportunity they won't let pass.

"We'll be trying to figure out if our team is good enough to do the job," said veteran Bob Niedzielski. "We'll get the indication this week-

More than just their opponents' eyes will be on the Bears this weekend, coming in as two-time defending national champions, the U of A will be the team to beat.

But Mike McGhan doesn't want reputation or past accomplishments dragged into the equation at all.

"[Winning the Nationals] was last year," said the forward. "The only people that that matters to is our opponents...they're the ones that talk about it."

"There are a lot of guys that are still around [from the Golden Bears] last year, but we've got a lot of new guys, too," continued McGhan. "That makes it a whole new learning experience."

Rookie Jeff Zorn expects a challenge, but looks forward to the Bears establishing themselves on top of the Canada West pile.

"It's a good opportunity to see what other teams can do and to try to set the tone for the position we want in the league," said the former Saskatoon Blade.

With the roster yet to be solidified, the tournament will also give the coaching staff an opportunity to determine which players will make the cut.

Regardless of the outcome, it gives the Bears a chance to evaluate the rest of the league and, more importantly, themselves.

A sweep would just be icing on the cake.

# UPCOMING VARSITY GAMES

PANDAS & BEARS SOCCER AT FACULTÉ ST JEAN
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Bears versus UBC at 2:00pm
Sunday, Pandas versus Victoria at 12:00pm
Bears versus Victoria at 2:00pm

# Dalhousie and Adidas Canada strike up a three-year deal

\$250 000 to swap hands over the next three years; 'a good thing' according to Adidas representative

> Andrew Gillis ADMINISTRATORS

HALIFAX (CUP) - In a deal unlike any other in Canada, Adidas and Dalhousie University have struck a deal that will suit up all varsity teams with uniforms, practice wear and sporting apparel needed for competition.

The deal, which amounts to nearly \$250 000, will be effect for. the next three years.

"[Dalhousie] is a good school with a good sports program," said John Kawaja, of Adidas-Salomon Canada, Ltd. "For us, it's an opportunity to partner up with an organization that shares the same values as us. We think that having people wear our product would be a good thing."

The feeling among coaches and athletes is mostly positive-they say that without the burden of seeking corporate sponsors to outfit the teams, they can concentrate more on sports, and less on the administrative aspect of their jobs.

"Well, basically, it is an area of under-funding," said Jim Charters, manager of varsity promotions at Dal. "With coaches looking for funding, it was more work on their plates. With this deal, they can go back to the gym, and [the Dalhousie athletic department] doesn't have to take anything out of the budget."

The deal also involves Adidas distributing Dalhousie athletic gear and equipment to the Dalhousie community. Gear can be purchased at the athletic shop or at the Bookstore.

"The deal we have is similar to deals in the United States, like in Notre Dame," said Charters. "The gear is also available to the public. [The Pharmacy department] wanted shirts for their co-ed teams."

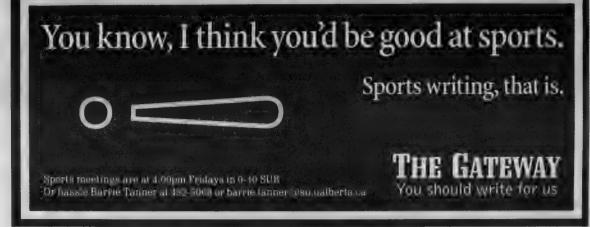
Kawaja admitted that the Adidas-Dalhousie deal was worked out fairly easily. He also said that this is a 'win-win' situation, apparently for the Dalhousie varsity teams, Adidas, students at the University and the general public.

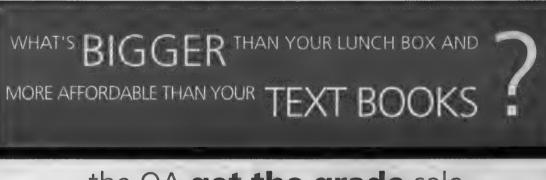
"We hope that, you know, when someone sees that we're sponsoring Dalhousie sports, they'll pick our product next time they're at the shoe-wall at the nearest athletic store," Kawaja said.

Such a full-endorsement deal has never been realized at another Canadian university.

One factor is the variety of sports involved, since not all athletic manufacturers can outfit the variety of sports offered through Dalhousie varsity athletics. Adidas was already the official supplier to the Dalhousie soccer and basketball teams, and that gave them a relatively easy entry into the campus market.

"Sports marketing was founded on pro athletics," said Kawaja. "But we are a supporter of grassroots sports. You don't have to be Vince Carter, or a member of the Toronto Raptors.









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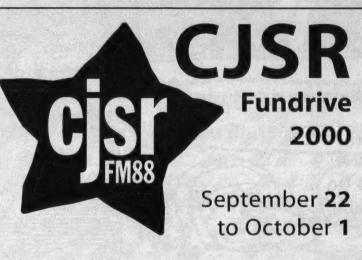
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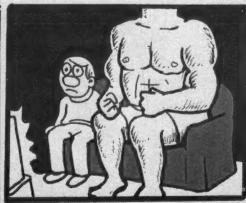


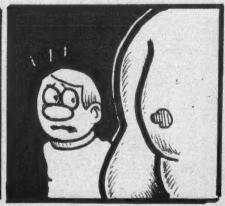
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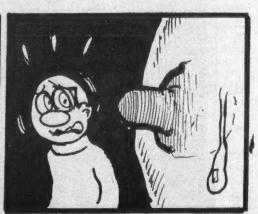


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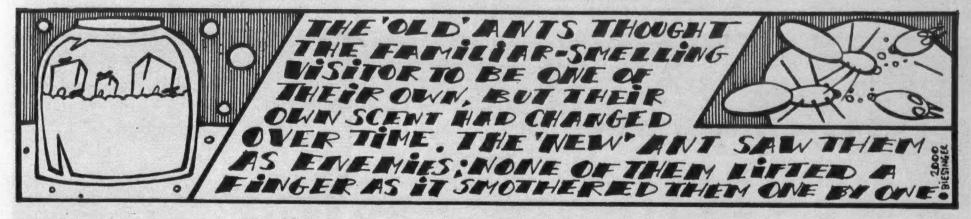








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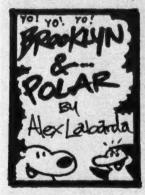


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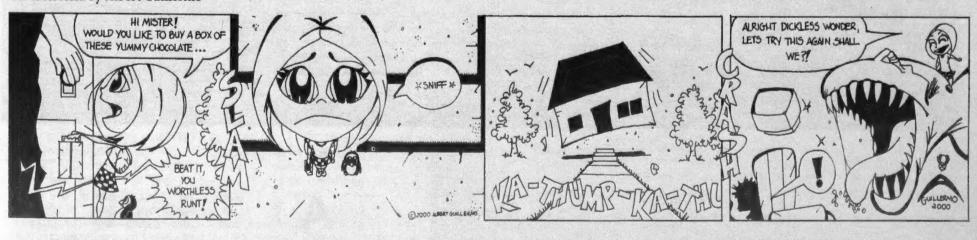








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